

thousands of whom are believed by the U.N. to be hiding in remote regions of Afghanistan. The TTP has declared war on Pakistan, carrying out one of the worst terrorist attacks in the country in 2014 killing 145 children and their teachers at an army public school in northwest Pakistan.

The orders also take aim at outlawed anti-Indian groups considered allied with the country's security services. It is so mutually beneficial for Pakistan and India at work together for peace and prosperity.

HONORING COACH STEELE
KERRIDEN "KERRY" CROSWHITE

HON. GREG STANTON

OF ARIZONA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. STANTON. Madam Speaker, I rise to honor the life and legacy of Coach Steele Kerriden "Kerry" Croswite, who passed away Tuesday, July 21, 2020 due to complications from COVID-19 at the age of 61. For 17 years Coach Croswite served Chandler High School as a social studies teacher, head coach for the school's swim and dive team, and assistant coach for the softball program—a true pillar of excellence for the school's academic and athletic programs, and an inspiration for the thousands of students who had the great privilege to learn from him. A beloved member of the Chandler community, Coach Croswite embodied a steadfast dedication to public education, Chandler High School, and service to others.

Coach Croswite's impact resonated throughout the entire Chandler High community. He was always ready with a word of encouragement and empathetic ear, and he emanated pride and joy when celebrating his students and his school. Not only an inspirational teacher and coach, Coach Croswite was known across campus for the bagpipes he played at school events, swim meets, football games, and at the school's annual Unity Assembly, where he donned a kilt in proud celebration of his ancestry.

He was a selfless leader who devoted his career—without fanfare or in pursuit of recognition—to the students he taught and coached at Chandler High. As the head swim and dive coach, Coach Croswite spent countless hours training and mentoring the athletes he worked with every day. Coach Croswite always went out of his way to help others—even jumping into action without hesitation to save the life of one of his students after she suffered a seizure in the pool. Because of his leadership and example, countless students have learned the value of camaraderie, perseverance and teamwork.

Coach Croswite's wife, Laurie, shared that at the time of his passing, he was listening to the song "These Are the Days" by Van Morrison. In celebration of his life and legacy, may we think of him each time we hear this song in the future. We join his family in grief and gratitude, thankful that we bore witness to the impact he had on the entire Chandler High community. His legacy will be remembered for generations of students, teachers, and faculty to come.

Thank you to Coach Croswite, and Godspeed.

HONORING RACHAEL HAALAND AS
IOWAN OF THE WEEK

HON. CYNTHIA AXNE

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mrs. AXNE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to ask the House of Representatives to join me in recognizing Ms. Rachael Haaland for her outstanding leadership and positivity as she serves families and children during this pandemic by naming her our Iowan of the Week.

Rachael is an exceptional Childcare Site Manager at the ChildServe Childcare center in Johnston, Iowa. Her co-workers and colleagues shared that she is a fun-loving, creative, genuine, and encouraging person. She challenges her team every day to be their best and to embrace the many opportunities they have each day to make a positive difference for every child, every family, and especially to each other.

With the children in her center, Rachael doesn't just focus on the basic components of quality childcare. She goes above and beyond to support her teachers to provide memorable early learning experiences that set the stage for children's future success in school and life. She promotes a positive work and care environment; she encourages her staff to truly enjoy their jobs, and the children they care for to engage in activities together to promote learning, interpersonal connection, and fun. Rachael created an atmosphere where staff, children, and families thrive through shared respect and regard for their uniqueness, but also their common goals and values.

During this COVID-19 crisis, Rachael knows that the families she serves, and her coworkers at ChildServe, are all feeling concerned and stressed. Everyone is focused on making sure they are providing a safe environment where our children can still play and learn. She has maintained a steady level of communication with her community, and collaboration has been exceptional during a time that has been difficult for all.

Rachael has ensured a safe work and care environment by adapting space, establishing new cleaning protocols, and making necessary changes throughout the center to minimize the risk to children and staff and follow CDC guidelines. During all of this, she still planned fun, theme-based activities to promote the joy of learning in these children and give them a break from the world outside. As a mom of two boys, I know the parents and families Rachel works with are grateful for the extra cleaning, extra work, and extra thought Rachel is investing into ChildServe.

It is my distinct honor to name Rachael Haaland as our Iowan of the Week and thank her for her commitment to early childcare and education. Although we do not know what the future holds, we know it is a bright future with educators and childcare providers like Rachael Haaland in our community.

IN MEMORY OF DR. REBEKAH
HORTON

HON. CATHY McMORRIS RODGERS

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mrs. RODGERS of Washington. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Dr. Rebekah 'Beka' Horton. She passed away on June 27, 2020.

Beka co-founded Pensacola Christian College with her husband. From day one, she led a Christ-centered mission for the spiritual and academic growth of every student.

She led with humility and a clear vision for every person to reach their God-given potential. Her passion was to ensure young men and women received an excellent education and were prepared to be leaders in the world.

During my years at Pensacola Christian College, I played piano in a traveling ensemble. Beka served as our ensemble's mentor. She always encouraged us to seek excellence and challenged us to the highest of standards. I cherish those memories, and I'm grateful for the lessons Beka instilled in me. To this day, I challenge my own team to seek excellence in everything we do.

Beka's legacy for excellence extends far beyond Pensacola Christian College's campus. Through her many ministries like her children's TV program and A Beka Books, she touched many lives and helped countless students of all ages flourish. She lived a full life in the service of God.

My prayers for comfort and peace are with all those who are mourning her passing. May she rest in peace, and may we continue to honor her legacy by seeking excellence, putting our trust in God, and serving others.

CELEBRATING INDIAN
INDEPENDENCE

HON. JOE WILSON

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Saturday, August 22, 2020

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, last Saturday, I was grateful to be Guest of Honor at the Consulate of the Republic of India in Atlanta for the Indian flag hoisting ceremony to observe the 74th Independence Day of India.

Consul General, Dr. Swati Kulkarni, conducted the solemn occasion with professionalism joined by her dedicated staff along with KV Kumar, President of the Indian-American International Chamber of Commerce.

With the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi in the past year India has surpassed the United Kingdom and France in gross domestic product. Sadly, the Wuhan virus has disrupted these economic advances. India's evolution from socialism to a free market economy reducing poverty is a testament to the success of economic freedom.

The alliance of India and America was underscored last September 22nd in Houston when President Donald Trump welcomed Prime Minister Modi to America with an audience of 50,000 largely Indian-Americans being the largest welcome program in American history. Arm in arm, Prime Minister Modi and